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Office of Victim and Survivor Rights and Services Crime Victims Rights Week Activities

Many California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation adult and juvenile facilities plan activities throughout the week. In fundraising events, typically the monies collected go to local organizations that also assist victims and survivors of violent crimes.

Below the list of planned activities, are results of the 2006 Crime Victims' Week activities around the state.

Planned Activities

Monday, April 23, 2007

- OVSRS will staff an informational table at The March on the Capitol.
- OVSRS staff will organize local service providers to display information in the quad at CDCR headquarters.
- A Department-wide moment of silence will be observed at 10:00 a.m. (both CDCR and DJJ headquarters and at institutions throughout the state) to honor all crime victims and survivors.
- A bagpiper will play "Amazing Grace" in the quad at HQ at 10 a.m.
- OVSRS will conduct a Division of Juvenile Justice HQ Victim/Offender Speaker Presentation.
- OVSRS will conduct a Youth Authority Board training and presentation.
- Ventura Youth Correctional Facility will host Greg Baker, Ventura County District Attorney's office, as the keynote speaker. Moment of silence at 10 a.m. Top vote getters in the essay, poem, and notable quotable activities will also read their entries at the opening ceremony.

Tuesday, April 24, 2007

- Preston Youth Correctional Facility Fundraiser/"Fun Run"
- Calipatria State Prison (CAL) will observe National Crime Victims' Rights Week with a Memorial Ceremony at 9 a.m. with guest speaker Dave Steward.
- Ventura Youth Correctional Facility will hang a ceremonial banner, indicating "National Crime Victims' Rights" applied to chain link fence.

Wednesday, April 25, 2007

- O.H. Close Youth Correctional Facility has a guest speaker to honor the Week.
- DeWitt Nelson Youth Correctional Facility will conduct two offender restitution training sessions
- El Paso de Robles Youth Correctional Facility to host victim impact speaker Charlotte Woods
- Ventura Youth Correctional Facility will conduct a Walk/Jog-a-thon fundraiser for wards and staff (after school).
- Wasco State Prison to conduct annual BBQ fundraiser for local organizations in spirit of Victims' Week.

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Thursday, April 26, 2007

- Pine Grove Camp Presentation on Victims Week.
- Ventura Youth Correctional Facility will conduct a Candle Light Vigil and “Wall of Remembrance” activity. Each living unit will have a time in the evening to go by the handball courts, which will be where the “Wall of Remembrance” will be decorated, to place the name tags of victims the girls designate to show respect to (first name or first name and last initial only).

Friday, April 27, 2007

- Sacramento County District Attorney’s Office Citizens Awards (OVSRS is a sponsor)
- Pelican Bay State Prison will host a luncheon for National Crime Victims’ Rights Week.
- High Desert State Prison will conduct a Chili-Cook Off with money going to Lassen Family Services.
- Ventura Youth Correctional Facility will conduct a closing ceremony at 1300 hours in the Auditorium. Keynote speaker, Melanie Washington. Presentation Bouquet to Ms. Washington. Presentation of monies to victim organization gathered during the week.

Saturday, April 28, 2007

- Ruth Bolton, of the Sacramento Monarchs to participate in Scrimmage at the N.A. Chaderjian Youth Correctional Facility in Stockton 11:30 a.m. (part of the Daddy Hunger project)

Results of 2006 Victim Week Activities

California Men’s Colony

The Inmate Literacy Council and Prisoners Against Child Abuse at California Men’s Colony were responsible for 2006 fundraising in the spirit of Victims Week. The awards for the 2006 Calendar Year are tallied as follows:

CMC Inmate Literacy Council

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Literacy Council of San Luis Obispo	\$4000
Child Development Center of San Luis Obispo	\$2000
Good Samaritan Shelter of Santa Maria	\$3000
Women’s Shelter of San Luis Obispo	\$4600
Sub-Total	\$12,000

CMC Prisoners Against Child Abuse

North County Women’s Shelter (San Luis Obispo)	\$2500
Friends Outside	\$2500
Alpha House	\$3500
Griffin Society	\$2500
Prado Road Homeless Shelter (San Luis Obispo)	\$3000
United Way’s Child’s Spree	\$2000
(in cooperation with the Literacy Council)	
Sub-Total	\$16,000
TOTAL	\$28,000

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California Correctional Center

The institution conducts an annual Victims of Crime hobby sale every December. During the 2006 Victims Week, inmates and staff raised **\$4,653**, which was donated to Lassen Family Services. Also CCC has a Joint Venture Program which donated **\$1,591** to the Lassen County District Attorney's Special Victims Witness Fund. These programs are annual efforts.

California Medical Facility

In 2006, CMF donated more than **\$12,500** to organizations that assist victims in various different ways. Some of the organizations were Women Escaping A Violent Environment, (WEAVE), Opportunity House, Child Assault Prevention Project (CAPP) and Rainbow Children's Center, these organizations provide services such as safe housing, counseling, job training, clothing, counseling, training in self defense, and self empowerment.

El Paso de Robles Youth Correctional Facility

Victims Week 2006, the Paso Robles-based facility raised **\$1,500** through ward and staff fundraisers. The institution donated \$750 each to both North County Women's Shelter and San Luis Obispo-Child Abuse Prevention Services.

Preston Youth Correctional Facility

The Cardiac Classic – Fundraising Run and BBQ was conducted during Victims Week in 2006. Some 150 wards participated with **\$1,300** raised. The living units that raised the most funds included Buckeye (\$461); Ironwood (\$142), and Hawthorne (\$90).

Following the fundraising, Preston Youth Correctional Facility and the student body of James A. Wieden High School presented Operation Care with a check for \$1,300. Operation Care provided Preston with speakers throughout the year, to address youth. The wards wanted to show their appreciation.